

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	No. 23-3157-01-CR-S-RK
)	
THOMAS ELMER PHELAN IV,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
CONCERNING PLEA OF GUILTY**

The Defendant, by consent, has appeared before me pursuant to Rule 11, F.R.Cr.P., 22(k)(26), WDMO, and 28 U.S.C. §636, and has entered a plea of guilty to Counts 2 and 3 of the Indictment filed on December 20, 2023. After cautioning and examining the Defendant under oath concerning each of the subjects mentioned in Rule 11, I determined that the guilty pleas were knowledgeable and voluntary, and that the offenses charged are supported by a factual basis for each of the essential elements of the offense. I therefore recommend that the pleas of guilty be accepted and that the Defendant be adjudged guilty and have sentence imposed accordingly.

Date: February 3, 2025

/s/ David P. Rush
DAVID P. RUSH
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

NOTICE

Failure to file written objections to this Report and Recommendation within 14 days from the date of its service shall bar an aggrieved party from attacking such Report and Recommendation before the assigned United States District Judge. 28 U.S.C. §636(b) (1) (B) .